

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 28, 2021

**EVENT: Thursday, April 29** 

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## \*\*\*MEDIA EVENT ADVISORY\*\*\*

# COMMUNITY LEADERS AND LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS TO ADDRESS GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION AT "VIRTUAL" TOWN HALL

Violence Intervention and Prevention funding is vital to reducing daily gun violence

## San Diego, CA

**WHAT:** Addressing the root causes of violence in our communities helps save lives and prevent acts of violence, including gun violence, before they occur.

The California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) grant program is vital to funding the efforts of the local community organizations that are proving to be one of the most effective ways to reduce violence, particularly in underinvested black and brown communities which are disproportionately impacted by gun violence.

Hear from community organizations who are already utilizing CalVIP funding, local community leaders and elected officials, and learn more about how to apply to receive CalVIP funding.

Community organizations and violence-prevention groups in California - including San Diegans for Gun Violence Prevention, Giffords, Brady United, and Moms Demand Action - have asked for \$114 million in funding for CalVIP in this year's budget.

**WHO:** This online event brings Mayor Todd Gloria, Councilmember Monica Montgomery Steppe, Bishop Cornelius Bowser, Pastor Jesús Sandoval Hernández, Assemblymembers Brian Maienschein and Chris Ward, and local community organizations together to discuss gun violence and the CalVIP grant program.

Current San Diego CalVIP recipients presenting at the event: SBCS (formerly South Bay Community Services), Shaphat Outreach, and Kitchens for Good.

Refer to the <u>detailed agenda with speaker time slots</u> and a full listing of speakers.

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 29, 5:30-7:15 p.m.

**WHERE:** Virtual Event. Please <u>registering for the Zoom webinar</u>. Press members can pose questions through the Q&A function.

\*\*\*To arrange media interviews in advance of or after the event, contact jill.marr@gmail.com\*\*\*

#### **MEDIA RESOURCES:**

CalVIP backgrounder: <a href="https://www.bscc.ca.gov/s\_cpgpcalvipgrant/">https://www.bscc.ca.gov/s\_cpgpcalvipgrant/</a>

San Diegans for Gun Violence Prevention (SD4GVP): sd4gvp.org

SD4GVP Facebook: SD4GVP

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## About San Diegans for Gun Violence Prevention (SD4GVP)

SD4GVP is a coalition of concerned citizens, united to end gun violence in America. It is organized and run by the members of the San Diego chapters of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America and Brady United Against Gun Violence. SD4GVP was founded in February 2018, incorporated in July and granted 501(c)(4) non-profit status in December 2018. The coalition includes many San Diego County organizations and individual citizens who are stepping up to change our laws and prevent gun violence once and for all, through advocacy and education. For more information visit sd4gvp.org. Follow us on Facebook at SD4GVP, on Twitter @gvpsd4 and on Instagram.